

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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December 20, 2011

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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AWARD CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENTS
AS-NEEDED CONSTRUCTION AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSPECTIONS, ELECTRICAL
INSPECTOR, TECHNICAL SUPPORT, RESIDENT ENGINEER, CONSTRUCTION AND PROJECT
MANAGERS, OFFICE ENGINEER, CLERICAL STAFF, ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE
MANAGER, CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULER, AND WELDING INSPECTOR SERVICES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to enter into consultant services agreements to provide construction and traffic signal inspections, electrical inspector, technical support, resident engineer, construction and project managers, office engineer, clerical staff, environmental compliance manager, construction scheduler, and welding inspector services on an as-needed basis in support of various road, flood control, landscaping, bridge, water, sewer, and aviation construction contracts throughout the County of Los Angeles.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Director of Public Works to execute consultant services agreements with the following firms:

- 1. AEI-CASC for environmental compliance manager services for a not-to-exceed fee of \$500,000 for three years.
- 2. AEcom for environmental compliance services for a not-to-exceed fee of \$500,000, and for resident engineer, construction and project managers, office engineer, construction scheduler, and clerical staff services for a not-to-exceed fee of \$2,000,000 for three years.

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- 3. Targhee for environmental compliance manager services for a not-to-exceed fee of \$500,000 for three years.
- 4. E2 Manage Tech for environmental compliance manager services for a not-to-exceed fee of \$1,000,000 for three years.
- 5. TCM Group for construction, traffic signal, electrical, and welding inspections, and technical support services for a not-to-exceed fee of \$3,500,000 and for resident engineer, construction and project managers, office engineer, construction scheduler, and clerical staff for a not to-exceed fee of \$2,000,000 for three years.
- 6. The G Crew for construction, traffic signal, and electrical inspectors; technical support staff; and welding inspector for a not-to-exceed fee of \$2,500,000 for three years.
- 7. Psomas for construction, traffic signal, and electrical inspectors; technical support staff; and welding inspector for a not-to-exceed fee of \$3,000,000 for three years.
- 8. Ghirardelli for construction, traffic signal, and electrical inspectors; technical support staff; and welding inspector for a not-to-exceed fee of \$3,000,000 for three years.
- 9. ATHALYE for resident engineer, construction manager, project manager, office engineer, construction scheduler, and clerical staff services for a not-to-exceed fee of \$3,000,000 for three years.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to award and delegate authority to the Director of Public Works (Director) to execute various consultant services agreements for construction and traffic signal inspections, electrical inspector, technical support, resident engineer, construction and project managers, office engineer, clerical staff, environmental compliance manager, construction scheduler, and welding inspector services. These services will be used to augment the Department of Public Works (Public Works) staff and expertise in support of various Public Works construction projects located throughout the County of Los Angeles (County). Public Works currently has a large workload of projects under construction and anticipated to be under construction during the terms of these contracts funded by Federal, State, and Local funds.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will provide for services facilitating the delivery of various Public Works construction projects.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The agreements, totaling \$21 million for a three-year period, will be funded by various funds for public works construction under the purview of Public Works including road, Flood Control District, Waterworks Districts, sewer maintenance, street lighting districts, Aviation, Proposition C Local

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Return, and general funds approved for use on capital projects infrastructure. Since this work may be requested on an as-needed basis and may be from various funds, work will not be authorized without first ascertaining that funds are available.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Delegating to the Director or her designee the authority to award and enter into consultant services agreements allows an expedited contracting process to provide services in support of current and upcoming Public Works construction projects.

The agreements and scope of work contain provisions requiring the consultant to comply with the terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202; and the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The agreements and their scope of work contain provisions requiring the consultant to report solicitations of improper consideration by County employees and allowing the County to terminate the agreement if it is found that the consultant offered or gave improper consideration to County employees.

A standard consultant services agreement, previously approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for agreement termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included. The agreements include a cost-of-living adjustment provision in accordance with your Board policy, which was approved on January 29, 2002.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

In accordance with Section 15378(b)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and Section 307.B.(3) of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, execution of the agreements to provide construction assistance services is an administrative activity that will not cause a physical change in the environment and therefore does not constitute a project and is not subject to the requirements of CEQA.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On March 30, 2011, Public Works issued a Request for Proposal to 145 consulting firms to provide construction and traffic signal inspections, electrical inspector, technical support, resident engineer, construction and project managers, office engineer, clerical staff, environmental compliance manager, construction scheduler, and welding inspector services. Eight firms submitted proposals

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for environmental compliance manager services; seventeen responded to Group 2 for resident engineers, construction managers, office engineers, construction schedulers, and clerical staff; and twenty firms responded to Group 1 for construction inspectors, traffic signal inspectors, electrical inspectors, technical support staff, and welding inspectors. An evaluation committee, one for each service, comprised of Public Works staff, evaluated the proposals received. The evaluation of the firms was based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding the work requirements. These evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Based on the review and evaluation of the proposals, the evaluation committees recommend the listed firms to perform the various services.

As requested by your Board on February 3, 1998, and to further increase consultant awareness of contracting opportunities with Public Works, a Request for Qualifications for these services was listed on the County's "Doing Business with Us" website.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Public Works to facilitate delivery of the construction of various public works construction projects previously approved or to be approved in the future by your Board.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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Contract Compliance

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